



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Prior Group Art Unit: 2652

Makoto MIYAMOTO et al. Prior Examiner: Julie Anne Watko

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For: DISK DRIVE SYSTEM WITH INTERNAL ARM PREVENTING SHOCK (as amended)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows: